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re: PR docket 92-235

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Dear Senator Bond,

I build & fly radio controlled ~~models~~ FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY airplanes. I am active in a local club whose members also enjoy the same hobby.

I am concerned about proposed rules being considered by the FCC. PR Docket 92-235, it is stated, will greatly reduce the

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THE HONORABLE CHRISTOPHER H. BOND
UNITED STATES SENATE
ROOM SR 293
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

DEAR SENATOR BOND:

ENCLOSED IS A COPY OF MY LETTER SENT
TO THE FCC.

I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD PLEASE
READ IT AND ACT UPON MY REQUEST.

THIS IS A VERY DANGEROUS ENDEAVOR TAKEN
BY THE FCC. IT SIMPLY NARROWS THE FREQUENCIES
TOO MUCH. THIS WILL RESULT IN GREATER NUMBER
OF OUT OF CONTROL MODELS FLY THE SKYS.
WORST OF ALL WILL BE LAW SUITS FOR INJURIES
AND DEATHS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT FOR
TRYING TO STOP PR DOCKET 92-235.

YOUR REPLY TO ME WILL ALSO BE APPRECIATED.

SINCERELY

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FCC
1919 M ST. NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20554

RE: NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235

GENTLEMEN:

I HAVE BEEN FLYING MODEL PLANES FOR OVER 30 YEARS.
IF THIS NEW PROPOSED RULE MAKING (NPRM-PR DOCKET 92-235)
GOES INTO EFFECT IT WILL BE A DISASTROUS MISTAKE.

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The Honorable Christopher Bond
293 Russell Office Building
Washington D.C. 20510-2503

Ref: PR Docket 92-235

I have operated radio control model airplanes for many years with my sons, and it has provided many hours of family enjoyment. The FCC is currently considering adopting PR Docket 92-235. I feel this would greatly increase the risk of accidents at public flying sites. If you have ever operated radio control models and saw the loss of control radio interference can cause you would better understand my concern and request the FCC not adopt

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The Honorable Kit Bond
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington D. C. 20510

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Dear Senator Bond:

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active with a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled airplanes. Members of the local model airplane club offer countless hours of free instruction and building tips to assist new pilots. The club also puts on one heck of a model airplane show each summer at a commercial airport, participates in Memorial Day festivities at our local airport, visits grade schools for demonstrations, travels around the state participating in other clubs events and lots, lots more.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will be closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that of the 50 frequencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frequencies will be left if these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies. If the number of frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety greatly increased.

Please understand that many model airplanes have a wingspan of up to 10 feet and weigh as much as 30-40 pounds. The models themselves are expensive to build; but more to the point, they are capable of causing property damage, serious injury, or even death if radio interference causes the operator to lose control of the craft. We need use of our full compliment of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I do not think it is wise or the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and our radio equipment. I currently operate 2 radios with an average cost of \$250.00 or more. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment for thousands of people and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely

Edward D. Bishop

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Honorable Christopher (Kit) Bond
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator:

I have spent many years of enjoyment constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes. I belong to several local clubs whose members share a common interest. Between the building tools, airplane kits, radios, engines, finishing materials, all add up to a large investment. Joy abounds by the camaraderie that develops between father and son or daughter, grandfather and grandchildren by building and operating their model together. Kids sharing the hobby with an adult, learn how to use their hands and minds. Kids in R/C hobby aren't gang members!

I am very concerned about what has been proposed by the Federal Communications Commission. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for radio control model usage. It will increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio controlled frequencies are in the 72/76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. Presently our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we co-exist by not interfering with one another.

The Notice Of Proposed Rule Making (NOPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows safe use of radio controlled aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eradicating safe use of at least 31 of 50 channels on the 72 Mhz band for R/C aircraft and, 10 of 30 frequencies on the 75 Mhz band for R/C cars and boats.

In supervised R/C model operation safety is paramount, for the spectators, operators, and property. Coordination of radio frequencies used simultaneously dictates our safety control and are strictly observed. Reduction of frequencies increases chances of accidents due to adjacent channel interference.

I think its unfair for the FCC to consider expanding the operations of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio control modelers. The FCC must think we are not as worthy of radio frequency usage as the user of business radio. As individuals our power is how we vote, as an industry we contribute a sizable income to our nation. None of what we do contributes to the sales of drugs or the delinquency of children. The mobile communications industry can't say that. Is this going to be another scenario of the big guy and his paid lobbyist wins again? I hope not because I have faith in you that's why I'm appealing to you for your help

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposal PR Docket 92-235 for the 72/76 Mhz band. We need your help urgently because the FCC has a deadline of February 26, 1993 after which it may become more difficult to avoid halting these proposals from going into effect.

Cordially,

Norbert Craig

*Club member of the
St Louis R/c flying Assoc.*

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The Honorable
Christopher Bond.
293 Russell Office Bldg.
Washington D.C.

Dear Senator:

I am retired and I
derive many hours of pleasure
and enjoyment in the
construction and flying of
radio controlled model aircraft

I am very concerned about
the proposed rules that are
under consideration by the
Federal Communications
Commission. The change I
am referring to P.R. Docket 92-23:
if adopted it would greatly
reduce the usable frequencies
now assigned to model aircraft

which will increase ⁽²⁾ the possibility of accidents and liability in flying these models.

Our models are in the 72-76 MHz band. Even though this band is used for private land mobile dispatch operations

into effect the results ③
would be a disaster.

Please understand these
models have large wing
spans and can weigh as much
as 30 pounds. so safety is of
prime importance we need
the use of our present
frequencies to assure these
safe operation.

I do not think it is
wise for the FCC to
improve the operating condition
of the land mobile radio
network..

I have invested more
than \$1,000 in my equipment
and this rule would cause
me to give up a hobby I
have enjoyed for many years

Please allow me to
continue in this hobby

by not allowing the
FCC to institute this
proposal.

Sincerely.

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to operate on frequencies which are
10 kilocycles (Kc) or kilohertz (Kz)

an interest in safe model airplane
operations - the Academy of Model
Aeronautics (AMA) and the
International Miniature Aircraft
Association (IMAA). These
two groups stress safety of RC
model aircraft operations.
At formal gatherings, the aircraft
undergo a complete airworthiness

also result.

I believe the FOC proposal
is unwise and will cause
or allow interference with
the RC aircraft frequencies.
It is our understanding that